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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS: Lauffer, et al.
 ASSIGNEE: Vertex Pharmaceuticals Incorporated
 SERIAL NUMBER: 10/039,898 EXAMINER: V. Balasubramanian
 FILING DATE: January 3, 2002 ART UNIT: 1624
 CONF. NO.: 8724
 FOR: CYCLIZED AMINO ACID DERIVATIVES

June 30, 2004
 Cambridge, Massachusetts

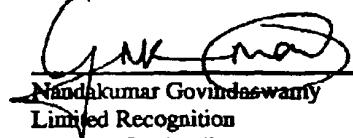
Commissioner for Patents
 P.O. Box 1450
 Alexandria, VA 22313

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3), applicants hereby petition for a three month extension of time to respond to the Office Action March 30, 2004. With the extension, a response is due on or before June 30, 2004.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the requisite fee of \$950.00 that is due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3) to Deposit Account No. 50-0725. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,



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PATENT APPLICATION FEE DETERMINATION RECORD

Effective October 1, 2001

Application or Docket Number

10/039 898

CLAIMS AS FILED - PART I

(Column 1) (Column 2)

TOTAL CLAIMS	22	20	
FOR		NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA
TOTAL CHARGEABLE CLAIMS	22	minus 20 =	* 2
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS		minus 3 =	* 0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

* If the difference in column 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in column 2

SMALL ENTITY
TYPE

RATE	Fee
BASIC FEE	370.00
X\$ 9=	
X42=	
+140=	
TOTAL	

OTHER THAN
OR SMALL ENTITY

RATE	Fee
BASIC FEE	740.00
X\$18=	36.
X84=	
+280=	280
TOTAL	1056

6/30/4 CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II

(Column 1) (Column 2) (Column 3)

AMENDMENT A	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA		
					RATE	Fee
Total	* 8	Minus	** 22	=		
Independent	* 1	Minus	*** 3	=		
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					<input type="checkbox"/>	

SMALL ENTITY OR OTHER THAN
OR SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE	RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=		X\$18=	
X42=		X84=	
+140=		+280=	
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE		TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE	

AMENDMENT B	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA		
					RATE	Fee
Total	* 8	Minus	** 22	=		
Independent	* 1	Minus	*** 3	=		
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					<input type="checkbox"/>	

RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE	RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=		X\$18=	
X42=		X84=	
+140=		+280=	
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE		TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE	

AMENDMENT C	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA		
					RATE	Fee
Total	* 8	Minus	** 22	=		
Independent	* 1	Minus	*** 3	=		
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					<input type="checkbox"/>	

RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE	RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=		X\$18=	
X42=		X84=	
+140=		+280=	
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE		TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE	

* If the entry in column 1 is less than the entry in column 2, write "0" in column 3.

** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, enter "20."

*** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, enter "3."

The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (Total or Independent) is the highest number found in the appropriate box in column 1.